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Tuesday, November 14, 2006

-- In moderate Arabic daily Al-Rai Al-Aam professor and columnist  
Dr. Jassem Al-Fuhaid commented under the title "Terrorist Against  
His Will" (11/14):

"Such a negative position by the United States [veto of draft Arab  
UNSC resolution criticizing Israel's actions in Gaza] contributes to  
fuelling the so-called terror."

-- Columnist Dr. Yaqoub Al-Sharrah editorialized in moderate Arabic  
daily Al-Rai Al-Aam under the title "The Perpetrators are Baathists"  
(11/14)

"The Iraqi government should beg the American troops to remain until  
Iraq is entirely capable of running its own affairs, especially  
security. The presence of foreign troops is for the benefit of Iraq  
and the region so long as there are terrorists and gangs all over  
Iraq who aim to gain control of the country."

-- Satirical liberal columnist Fuad Al-Hashem penned in conservative  
Arabic daily Al-Watan under the title "Your Only Solution Is the  
Toman [ancient Persian currency unit]" (11/14):

"Khamenie considers the results of the recent congressional  
elections in the United States as a victory for Iran. Although,  
there is no council in the United States that says whether or not a  
candidate can run for office as is the case in Iran. Washington has  
no such practitioners. Rather it has politicians who have made  
their country the strongest in the world."

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